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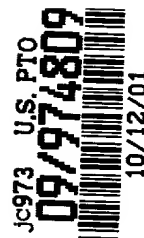
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ division application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/799,357 filed on March 6, 2001 the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference,
by

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for

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1. ☒ Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2. ☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

| | | | LARGE ENTITY | SMALL ENTITY |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| BASIC FEE | | | \$740.00 | \$370.00 |
| | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE FEE | RATE FEE |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 22-20 = | 2 | x 18 = \$36.00 | x 9 = \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2-3 = | 0 | x 84 = \$0.00 | x 42 = \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED | | | + \$280.00 | + \$140.00 |
| TOTAL | | | \$776.00 | \$0.00 |

3. ☒ The filing fee of **\$816.00** is attached hereto.
4. ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- a. ☐ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ division of co-pending Application No. 09/799,357, filed on March 6, 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--
- b. ☒ --This application is a ☒ continuation ☐ division of co-pending Application No. 09/799,357, filed on March 6, 2001, which is a continuation of 09/634,644, filed August 8, 2000, which is a division of Patent No. 6,089,689, issued August 8, 2000, which is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/DE96/00365 filed on March 2, 1996 under 35 U.S.C. § 371, which claimed priority of DE 195 09 984, filed March 18, 1995. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference.--
6. ☒ Enclosed is/are four (4) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

7. ☐ A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/799,357 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
8. ☐ The prior application is assigned to _____.
9. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 10a. ☐ Priority of Application No(s). ____ filed in ____ on ____ is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on ____.
- 10b. ☒ Priority of International Appln. PCT/DE96/00365 filed on March 2, 1996 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and German Application No. 19509984.2 filed in Germany on March 18, 1995 under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
12. ☒ Address all future communications to:
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13. ☒ An extension of time for four (4) month(s) until October 12, 2001 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/799,357 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
14. ☒ Also enclosed herewith is the following:

Declaratory Judgment and Final Judgment

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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